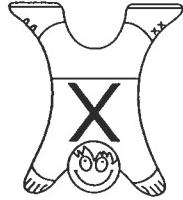
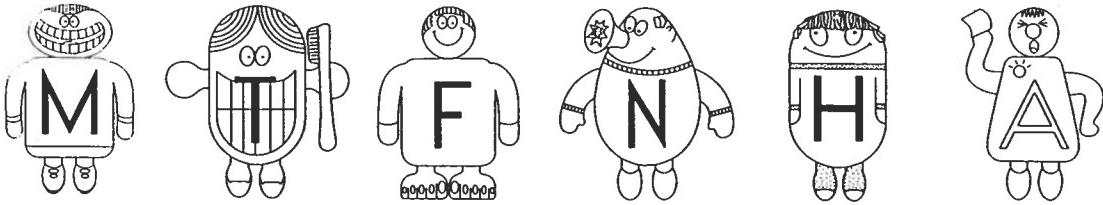
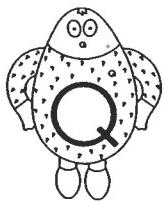


**Family  
Letter  
CELEBRATE!**



Dear Family,

We have been celebrating in school—celebrating all the learning your child has done! This has been a great year, and we are going to miss your child. It's hard to say good-bye.



But there's a great adventure waiting for your child next school year: first grade! You can help your child this summer to get ready and stay ready for first grade.

- ✓ Encourage your child to keep writing and writing and writing. Take time to ask your child to read what she or he has written—and to listen. Your child may not yet be as skilled at writing as you are, but there's only one way to get better, and that's by writing. If your child believes that you are interested in what he or she writes, that will be a big encouragement.
- ✓ Keep reading with your child. Read books together whenever you get a chance. But help your child to see that there are words to read everywhere—on signs, food packages, even on people's clothes these days!
- ✓ Once in a while, ask your child to read for you. Give help if it's asked for. Most of all, help your child to see that reading and writing are lots of fun.



Good luck!



Sincerely,

**The Letter People**

